Strategic Communications

Sedgwick County COVID-19 Daily Update – July 17, 2020

COVID-19 Overall Case Count

Confirmed cases as of noon July 17, 2020
> *U.S. cases – Johns Hopkins University & Medicine*
> *Kansas and counties cases – Kansas Department of Health & Environment*
> *Sedgwick County cases – Sedgwick County Health Department*

Location	Wednesday	Today	Percent Change
United States	3,454,190	3,604,408	+ 4.35
Kansas	20,933	21,965	+ 4.93
Kansas Deaths	■■■■■	299	■■■■■
Sedgwick County	2,293	2,473	+ 7.85
Periphery Counties			
Harvey: 108	Butler: 124	Cowley: 97	Sumner: 58	Reno: 155

Sedgwick County COVID-19 Case Count

Total COVID-19 Cases+	Total Recovered*	Total Deaths
2,473	1,016	32

*A person is considered recovered from COVID-19 72 hours after symptoms stop or 10 days after symptoms start, whichever is longer.

+Sedgwick County's data reflects results from nasopharyngeal (NP) confirmed COVID-19 cases; the KDHE dashboard shows results from NP tests, antibody tests, and persons under investigation.

Sedgwick County Health Department Update

- The SCHD has moved to its new testing site 620 North Edgemoor Street.
  - More than 41,000 residents have been tested for COVID-19 in Sedgwick County and 234 residents are scheduled to be tested at the SCHD drive-through site.
  - The Sedgwick County Health Department is only testing symptomatic residents and certain high-priority professions at no cost.
  - Please call United Way of the Plains at 2-1-1 if you think you should be tested for the disease or if you have general questions about it.

Sedgwick County Updates
- Organizations and businesses are reminded to help provide data to the Health Department through the Daily Sick Reporting Form.
  - This is a voluntary system;
  - the reporting is vital in assisting the Sedgwick County Health Department (SCHD) to monitor trends in diseases, including COVID-19.
  - All agencies and organizations in Sedgwick County are encouraged to report. Businesses that choose to report should, at a minimum, report illnesses on Thursdays to ensure comparison. Businesses can report on other days, too.
  - The "Daily Total Sick Reporting for Businesses" form can be found [here](#).

Prevention Measures
- Wash your hands often with soap and water
- Maintain social distancing – keep six feet of space between you and others
- Wear a face mask if social distancing is not an option
- Cover all coughs and sneezes
- Stay home if you are ill

Mental Health Support
- COMCARE of Sedgwick County is offering a Support Line for individuals who may be experiencing an elevation in mental health symptoms.
- Individuals may call (316) 660-1111 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- They'll receive resources, coping skill ideas, and encouragement to keep doing what they need to do to stay healthy, emotionally and physically.
- Residents who are experiencing a mental health crisis should call (316) 660-7500.

All questions from media should be directed to Public Information Officer Kate Flavin at (316) 660-9370 or kate.flavin@sedgwick.gov.